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Title: SOLID-WALL CENTRIFUGE COMPRISING A WEIR
PROVIDED WITH A STATIONARY DEFLECTOR PLATE
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- I. This is an express request to immediately begin national examination procedures under 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).
- II. A Preliminary Amendment, including a Substitute Specification and a marked-up copy of the Substitute Specification (27 pages) including one (1) Annotated Drawing Sheet (Fig. 3). **PLEASE ENTER THE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BEFORE CALCULATING ANY FEES DUE.**
- III. The filing fee is calculated below:

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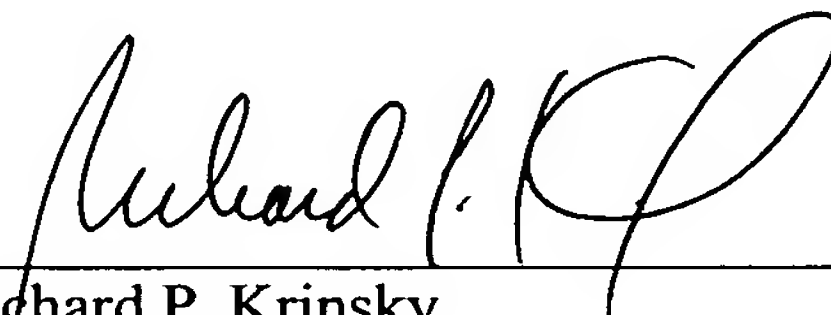
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IV. A check for the filing in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 02-1010 (677/45189).

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V. An English Translation of the International Application PCT/EP2005/003399 (18 pages) including cover page and 6 sheets of Drawings.

VI. An Information Disclosure Statement w/PTO-1449 with 11 cited references.



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